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N. Y., July 13, 1853.

Dear Garrison:

A letter from Mr. May, received this morning, informs me that you wish to revise your speech on the Platform before it is stereotyped. I am glad of it, for, good as it is, I know you can make it better — better, that is, for the special purpose for which we propose to use it. But I beg you to consider the contingencies of types, and the time between this and the first of August is quite short enough in which to get the pamphlet stereotyped and printed. It must be out in season for distribution at our

celebrations. How much the printers may delay us, it is impossible to tell; and as it will take no more time to revise the speech at once than hereafter, I hope you will not let me wait more than a day, or at most two days, for the copy.

Mr. May says you suggested that we ought to ask J. D. Weld to attend our celebration. To say nothing of the difficulty of getting him out on such an occasion, under any circumstances, we are cut off from all hope in that direction now by the fact that he is spending his summer on the wing,

and that we do not even know where a letter would reach him.

Before mailing this, I hope to get a flash from the telegraph conveying the news that we may depend on your presence at our meeting. Then we shall go on courageously. We mean to have the proceedings, and your speech particularly, reported for the Tribune; and we shall send out a large number of private invitations, besides advertising in the papers.

I am sadly disappointed by Quincy's failure to send us anything for the Standard this week. He's a "Lotherdone"

man. He never sends any thing till the last moment, and we are by no means sure of it then. But never mind, it will be "all the same a thousand years hence."

Fraternally, Yours,

P. Johnson.

P.S. 10 P.M. – I have no word from you yet, but hope it will come before we go to press.

The call for "Whole World's Temp. Convention will be out in a day or two.

G. L. M.H. July 13, 1853